



The Anchor News

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23rd October 2015

Hi everyone!

It has been a busy first half-term - one that has been full of hard work but also fun! The children have settled in well with their new teachers and all of the new staff to the school have also found a great welcome from their fellow staff and the wider community. We also have some parent volunteers who are coming into the Academy and making a really important and helpful contribution. A big "Thank you!" to all of them.



We would also like to thank all of the parents who support the work of the Academy by ensuring that their children are in school, on time every day, dressed smartly in their uniforms. These things are key to helping your children to take full advantage of the learning opportunities given to them and, with their uniforms, feel part of the wonderful community and family we are at St Clement's.

Please remember to also support your children in our Celebration Assemblies on Monday afternoons. These are where we celebrate the successes our pupils have achieved in their work, PE, behaviour and attendance. It is important that we acknowledge these successes and it is always good to see those parents who are able to attend.

Please try, if you are coming, to get here on time for the beginning of the assembly - 2:40pm - as then you will be able to get a seat at the back of the hall. We look forward to seeing you.

Have a relaxing and safe half-term.

Des Ricketts
Acting Principal



School Photos...

This week we sent home the order cards for all the photographs taken last week, we think you'll agree the children look very smart.

Over the half term holiday please take the time to decide what you would like to order and return the completed form to us with the correct change. Please also don't forget to write **your child's name** (if not already printed) on the order form/envelope

The deadline for returning your forms is

Tuesday 3rd November.



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Year 1 would like your 4 Pint Milk Cartons!

After half term year 1 are creating a Winter Wonderland and they would like your help in creating an igloo. Please can you help by donating as many as you can, used but clean 4 pint milk bottles and we will share the result after half term.

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	Declan Chen	Ayisha Sheraz
	Selah Sheckler	Casey Geoghegan
	Daren Ahmed	Tahah Shahbaz
	Damon Chen	Samar Shahbaz
	Mohammed Husnain Sajad	Gabrielle Moses
Sports Stars	Abdullah Minhas	Aleksander Machlaj



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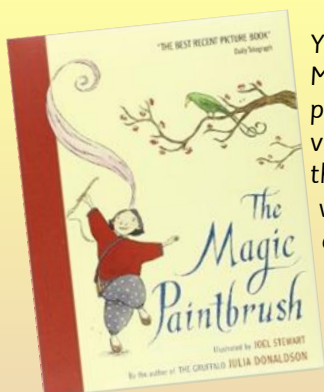
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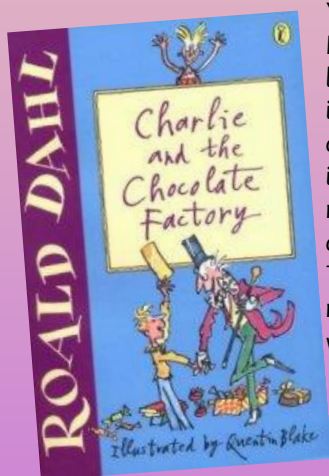
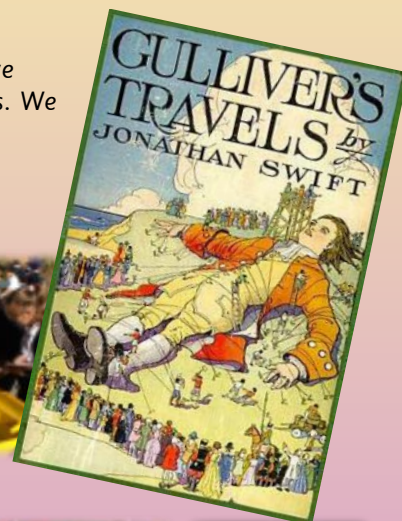
Book Week

This week has been packed full of a variety of activities where each class chose a book to look at and study in connection with different aspects of the curriculum. Linking into all core subjects through investigations, experiments and more. You can find out more about some classes activities below



Year Two have taken part in lots of fun activities this week based around the fiction book, 'The Magic Paintbrush' by Julia Donaldson. Shen, the main character within the story watches her paintings come to life before her very eyes. Shen decides to show her kindness and help the poor villagers through each and every painting! Year Two reflected upon this and designed and created their very own magic paintbrushes and thought about things that they could paint and wished would come to life in order to help the poor villagers from the book, just like Shen. The children also wrote extended captions to go with their paintings. The highlight of book week was visiting the new Library of Birmingham where the children were given the opportunity to read and share a variety of books, as well as learn about how they could borrow books from the library. What a wonderful way to end our half term!

Year Five have been looking at Gulliver's travels by Johnathan Swift during book week. We have made scale Lilliputians and a Gulliver, we used our knowledge of scaling up and down in maths. We also had fun making origami boats of different sizes and testing them out. We discussed what modifications we could make to help them float better and then tried them out in water with different weights - not all of them did so well at keeping afloat!



Year Six have been looking at 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' for book week. Over the course of the week we have linked the book to all aspects of our learning, examples of this include: spending time researching the ingredients of chocolate and where they come from; conducting a science experiment to investigate the time it takes for different types of chocolate to melt; solving maths problems linked to the book; and completing a newspaper report about Charlie finding the last Golden Ticket. To finish the week, we have today visited Cadbury World to learn more about the process of making chocolate and hopefully we will have had the chance to sample some chocolate as well! All of Violet Class have really enjoyed book week and the different activities that we have undertaken.



'St Clement's C of E Academy is a good school where the behaviour and safety of pupils are outstanding' (Ofsted 2014)

